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Sir:

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Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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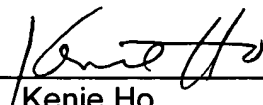
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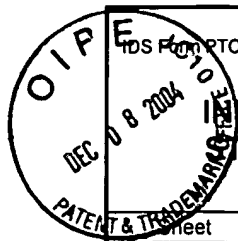
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		JP 11-242656	Sept. 7, 1999	Fujitsu Ltd		Abstract
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		JP 2002-055884	Feb. 20, 2002	Sony Corp.		Abstract
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